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GENERAL AND REVENUE SECRETARIAT

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Part B for sept 42

SUBJECT

R A Budget session June 1942
& No 160 re levy of urban duty on relief leaves — resolution

77) To, The D c Kolaba, The comptroller
& 2570-1 dy 9 42 Sanctions the
proposal of the D—Kolaba Town Duty re the deduction
of duty on relief leaves

78) To, The D c Ahmd Dy, The comptroller
& 3079-80 dy 15 9 42
Directs that the levy 1.0 &

Question no 160

LVS 6392/42

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REPRESENTATIVE ASSEMBLY

Budget Session, June 1942

Mr Y V Kumariah, Devanahalli ~~Rural~~ Taluk

Q No 160 - Will the Government be pleased to state -

a) whether they are aware that betal leaves are consumed mostly by village agriculturists of the State

b) whether they are aware that the raiyats are leading a hard life by carefully cultivating the betal leaves, and nursing them with great care, removing the leaves from the creepers by toiling hard day and night like a machine and taking these leaves to various shandies and villages by piling up the leaves into bundles

c) whether they are aware that on many occasions a tax of 2 pies is being collected on every bundle of betal leaves which may fetch a price of 3 to 4 pies, in addition to the ground rent

d) whether they will agree that this dual tax on the betal leaves is a great burden on the poor village folk

e) whether there is a Government Order No 1060-9 M L 79-145, dated 3-8-1936 to the effect that a tax of one pie of tax on every bundle of betal leaves be taken throughout the State

f) whether it is possible to see that no tax is levied on betal leaves in view of the fact that it is perishable article which will rot very soon and also to lessen the burden of taxation on the agriculturists

g) whether they would be pleased to cancel the ground rent levied on all bundles of beetal leaves in all shandies

h) If that cannot be done whether they would be pleased to see that one pie on every bundle of 100 betal leaves is taken as tax and to force the municipalities, that are taking 2 pies to take one pie only

1) Submitted with a draft-letter calling for replies from the Dy Comrs of Dists and Presidents of Dist Boards

27/4/42

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2) The Dy Comrs of Dists
The Pdts of Dist Boards

CKS

D F Q & Cancelled Printed No I 10342-5-8-d 29-4-42

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3 Reps have been recd from all the Mcrs except the Dcs Kolar Hassan Dhks - Pl remind them today

Pl put up acctgs for no 760-9/ML/41 - dated 3 & 4/46

for 14/5/46

The replies received from the Dy Comrs of all the Dists and the Presidents of all the Dist Boards are placed below It is seen therefrom that - octroi duty is being levied, generally at - 1 pie for hundred betel leaves, in the municipalities and this is in accordance with the maximum rate fixed therefor in the Municipalities Acts of 1933 (City, Town & minor) But in the Town Municipalities of Chitaldrug and Chickballapur Hassan the octroi duty on betel leaves is being recovered at 2 pies per 100 leaves and this is not in accordance with law as the maximum that can be levied for 100 leaves is 1 pie This will be pointed out to the Municipalities concerned

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5th In some municipalities Ground rent is also being levied in addition to

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Octroi duty. The levy of these two items are not to be objected to as they are different in nature. While octroi duty is levied on all things that are brought into the municipality for consumption, the ground rent is charged for making use of markets or other specified places and if they are not made use of, no rent will be charged. This cannot be considered as a double levy just as an individual is required to pay rent for a land or such as let out to him, the dealers in betel leaves, if they make use of municipal ground in the course of selling their leaves, have to pay a rent and this item cannot reasonably be mixed up with the payment of duty.

(b) The Municipal Boards also are levying either a tax or a ground rent on betel leaves when they are brought to Shandies under the control of it is to be noted that both octroi duty and ground rent, even if put together, would make up an negligible amount and the payment made by the betel leaves dealers would be recovered from the consumers and the contention that it is a burden to those

Question no 157 (V
(by Sri Y V Kumaraiah)
Re tax on betel leaves 3

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that grow them is untenable As chewing is mostly a habit with the consumers, a difference of a few pies in the price of this commodity would not affect their sale Betel leaf cultivation is a remunerative occupation

7) Draft replies to the question are put up for approval or other orders
Kaul 22.5.42

8) The draft reply may please be approved

[Government Central Revenue ordered to be issued]
for 27/5/42

9 Minister approved for 27/5/42

OFFICE OF THE I STR FO L & P H Date 27 5 42 No 7467

10) Approved The three municipalities mentioned above may be given the required levy
Kaul 28-5-42

11) Issue d/ resolution with draft as put up 2 above
for 28/5/42

T/S
Necessary

12) R A Office for taking three copies of the replies placed below and returning the file
Kaul 29.5.42

13) Copies taken
CSS 29/5

Minutes have been also separately noted to the Secy Chemicals, Industries & Supplies

14) WD 141 GI D—35-000—23 10-41

15) Minutes Put up draft letter to the Secy Chemicals, Industries
for 1/6/42

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5)

R A Question

Re Levy of duty on Relief leaves

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16 The by Courts of Chittaldrug Harbour and Kolar Distts have already been addressed on the matter in connection with a similar question relating to Chik Kaballapur Town Distt. Ref. above & Supra —

17) For orders if this may be closed now

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The Representative Assembly

Budget Session, 1942

Question No 63

Mr Muniappa, Goribidnur General Rural

Will the Government be pleased to state

a) whether it has come to their notice that octroi at the rate of 2 pies per 100 betel leaves is being collected by the Chikballapur Municipality,

b) whether such collection is not in contravention of clauses (iv), (v) of section 61 and Schedule II of the Town Municipal Act,1933,

c) whether it had not been decided by the Select Committee that no municipality should levy an octroi of more than one pie per 100 betel leaves,

d) whether any representations have been received by the Dewan and Government in the matter of collection of octroi at the above rates by the Chikballapur Municipality,

e) if the present practice is against the rules, whether they will compel the municipalities to collect octroi legally due?

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From

The D.C. Kurnool

No Dut 4/21-22 dt 6.5.1922

Forwards dft reply to the enquiries

15) The rate fixed in the Schedule attached to the Tun Pdts Act 1933 is one pie per bundle of 100 betel leaves - whatever the rate may have been that was sanctioned in the past, the rate after the promulgation of the T P Act of 1933 should have been brought into conformity with the prescribed rate, as otherwise the levy would have to be considered as illegal

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Kind - reference is invited to the report of the President of the Chittoor Tun Pdts which sets forth the reasons which have prompted the Board to continue the Rane rate of 2 pies per bundle of 100 leaves even after the T P Act of 1933 But it is hard to accept the reasons unless the schedule is duly got revised to 2 pies instead of one pie as was done in the case of the Cuddapah Tun Pdts Act 1933 by an Amendment (Act No XXVI of 1936) Otherwise the rate levied should be reduced to one pie

Any further action may be taken after the R[illegible] are rec

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R [illegible] June 1941

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The draft replies as revised in pencil may perhaps be approved -

6 (c) has been disallowed Law Reg) 14/5/42

19) May be adopted

Minister A S G)

Hm 14/5/42

20) [illegible] 20 5 42

CES 22-5-42

TJ Weeks 21) Hmc 25/5/42

22) R A Office for kindly taking 3 copies of the [illegible] answers placed below and [illegible] returning the file

Hm 22/5/42

Copies taken 23) The question was discussed at the R A on 25/5/42

A draft letter may be put up to the Dcs of Taxes concerned to the effect that the ruling here of certain [illegible] leaves Turnpikes in Chat Kabadkhan, Hatsanda Chatidang etc in excess of the rate prescribed in the schedule under the Town Tolls Act 1933 and that it should be made to conform to the prescribed limit & a report of action taken

Subject to [illegible]

25/5/42

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CFFCF C T MI T R [illegible] L C G & P I 14 S 1942 N 7165

"Levy of octroi on betel leaves &

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General and Revenue Secretariat

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24) Submitted with a draft letter to the Dy Comrs of Shahdara, Hissar and Karnal

25) Might be approved and Govt rejected also invited to orders at Para 10 of NE notes in the file below (on the issue subject of previous was held in the above that the defect would be rectified)

Law Secy 7 6/6/42

26) Law Secretary's opinion is now invited (Para 25)

6/7/42

13/6/42

27) Done 15/6/42

28) Done 15/6/42

To

The Dy Comrs - Comrs of Hissar Shahdara and Karnal Dis-

No L 11771 dated 19-6-42

Issues certain instructions and calls for a report from

The Deputy Commr, Shahdara Dist letter No A 6 3951-41 dated 26-6-42 States that he has called for further particulars

Done

19 JUNE 1942

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LEGY LAW DEPT. 5103

OFFICE OF THE JUDICIAL SECRETARY PUNJAB

Date 15.6.1942

No 7756

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Levy of octroi duty on betel leaves – Chitaldrug municipality

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proposals for reduction of the octroi duty recd from DC Hassan & worked upon (vide ml 112-41-45 6

the President of the Chitaldrug Municipality and that on receipt of the report, a further communication will be made

29) the receipt of the further Communications from the Dy Comm will be awaited

6/6/1942 SS 6114 30) Forwarded personal of P W D

Minister for PP & H) for 7/7/42

OFFICE OF THE MINISTER FOR L S G & P H Dat 7 7 1942 No 276

31) Secy 11 7 42

Secy 13

From the D C Kolar dis lr letter no A & C 3268/41-42 dt 15 8 1942, requesting that octroi duty at 1 rie per 100 betel leaves is proposed to be levied by the Chickballapura Town Municipality and requesting sanction thereto

for 17/7/42

for Secy 13/7/42 SS

32) The D.C. Kolar requests sanction of Govt to revise the octroi levied on betel leaves in the Chickballapura Town Municipality from 2 pies to 1 rie per the resolution of the Municipal Council

33) Reports from the D.C. Chitaldrug will be awaited

Govt Order No

34) A draft G.O. approving the report of the Chickballapura Town Municipality be put up for 21/8 per

P T O

Levy of ochre duty on betel leaves in Chilaw
Harbour & Chilaw Pallegama Town Municipal limits

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34) Draft G.O. of proposed submitted for approval

35) May be approved

Law Reg 24/8/42

36) May be approved

Mr. Secy S.G.

Secy Law C. 21/24 25 Oct 10 Govt Timbore

Office of the Minister for Local Government & Public Health
Date 27 Aug 42
No 1780

Acc 26-8-42

24/8/42

37 Hs 27 8 42

Acc 27-8-42

38 Done

77 G.O. No L 2570-1/41 12-41-27 8 1942

Sanctions the proposal of the Kolonnawa Municipality

To the D.C. Kelaniya
Colombo

From the D.C. Chilaw

Letter No A6 3981/41-2 of 26 8 1942, requesting sanction to the reduction of the ochre duty on betel leaves from one rupee per every hundred betel leaves

35 Kind reference is invited to the minutes noted in para 10 supra & the G.O. sanctioning the recommendations of the D.C. is submitted herewith

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we under Schedule II of the Tamil Nadu Act 1933, the maximum duty leviable on a bundle of 100 betel leaves one pie on the chittalay Tamil Nadu, a duty of two pies leviable of 100 leaves was being collected As this was in excess of the rate prescribed under the Statute the Dy chittalay issued notice to the President of the Mkt to regularise the levy by reducing it to one pie accdg to the schedule

Thereupon the Mkt resolved on 7 6 42 that the levy may be abolished on the ground that the realisation on this account are very small & the hardship caused to the ryots is great The realisation from this source is Rs 900 at 2 pies per bundle & if it is reduced to one pie, then it would be Rs 450 only & as it was not desirable to abolish the levy, the Dy chittalay requested the Mkt to reconsider their resolution dated 7 6 42 The Mkt have resolved on 31 7 42 that there is no reason to reconsider the matter, as it has been already decided upon by the Govt, in G.O. Ms. No. 1078 dated 15th August 1941 stating that the realisations from this levy at the rate of one pie per bundle of 100 leaves would be about Rs 450 only & ground that this cannot be considered to be too small & therefore recommended that the levy may be continued at one pie per 100 betel leaves.

It would be seen from the above that the attitude of the chittalay Tamil Nadu

Levy of octroi duty on betel leaves — (13
Cocktail drop, Hors d'oeuvres and [illegible] 1941 miscellaneous

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It indeed very perverse All that was required of the Madras State Government duty levied at Rs 4 per 100 betel leaves should be reduced to one per cent in conformity with the rate presented in the Statute No question of interpretation arises at all and even if it is to be acted upon, then the usual formalities of publishing the rate inviting for objections etc have not been observed with the result that the proposal for abolition cannot be accepted Unless it is approved by the Govt under sec 4 b 1947 (Provisional sanction sec 4b), the abolition cannot take effect Hence under the proviso (c) to section 4 of the Act, no approval of Govt could be given to the proposal of the Municipality Madras Government may however be moved to direct that the rate of levy of octroi on betel leaves is reduced to one per cent in conformity with the rate presented under section 4 of the Act Madras Municipal Corporation Act

We for orders

Law Secy for
S/21/VI

We The Municipal Council usually assumes a defiant attitude

We The resolution may not

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4) Levy of octroi duty on Betel Leaves Chitaldrug, Hassan & Chickballapur Municipalities

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be approved. Attention may be invited as stated above. If the council shall express necessary action may be taken

Govt Memo (PH) 5-9-42 from

OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR FOOD LSG & PH Dt 5 9 42 No 2050

4) under what section can the Municipality be asked to remove levy octroi on betel leaves

Govt 7-9-42

4) According to Schedule II of the Town Municipalities Act 1933, the maximum octroi duty leviable on a bundle of hundred betel leaves is one pie. The present levy of two pies, on the Chitaldrug Town Municipality, on a bundle of 100 leaves is contrary to the spirit of the Town Municipalities Act and repugnant to the provisions contained in Schedule II of the Town Municipalities Act. It would therefore be not legal to levy at two pies

4) Hence the Government have power to direct the Municipal Council to bring the rate

Copy of order — Chitral Cooly Corps rates reduction of Rs 1324/L 1324/L (15-

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	in conformity with the prescribed rate Subs 50 Repre para 47 supra Lawsec) 8/9/42
	S1- Q is an illegal levy offending the provisions of S 61(6) read with Schedule II of the Municipal Laws does not justify the rule as directed, the Govt will frame a rule under S 209 Minister S-S Secy 8-9-42
	S2) for 8 9 42 Secy 8-9-42
	S3) pl opt- 9/9
	S4) rules with a opt 9/9 accd S5 May be approved Lawsec) 10/9/42
	S6 Secy 10-9-42 Issue
	S7 Govt 3079-50/3 15 9 42, reduced to Rs per 100 bales from Rs Chitral Cooly Corps Comptroller.

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16)

Reduction in the Levy of Cesses on Petrol taken in Kolar, Chikballapur & Chitaldrug

Mysore File No 112 Pol - Petrol - 1 - 11 — 697/No. of 1941 — General and Revenue Secretariat

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Do R.A. Branch for kindly asking the action taken on the Secretariat

Do Supdt R.A.T.L.C) Seen

16/9/43 noted & returned

S.S.K. 17/9

L.S.G. Branch)

B.V.N. 17/9

The file will be closed after Secretariat perusal

Filed

17/9/43

Yes

17/9

M.V.S.R.

B.V.N. 15/9

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The Representative Assembly - Budget Session - 1942

Question No 63

a) whether it has come to their notice that octroi at the rate of 2 pies per 100 betel leaves is being collected by the Chickballapur Municipality — Octroi duty of 0-0-2 pies per 100 betel leaves is being levied as per Government Order No 721 Ml 54-17-4 dated 7-8-1917 yes

b) whether such collection is not in contravention of clauses IV, V of Section 61 and Schedule II of the Town Municipalx Act 1933 — Yes

c) whether it had not been decided by the Select Committee that no Municipality should levy an octroi of more than one pie per 100 betel leaves — this information is not available in this office (It is not known when 'Select Committee' the member refers to)

d) whether any representations have been received by the Dewan and Government in the matter of collection of octroi at the above rates by the Chickballapur Municipality — No such representations are received in this office NO

e) if the present practice is against the rules whether they will compel the Municipalities to collect octroi legally due — This will be pointed out to the Municipal Council

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VKR

Deputy Commissioner,
Kolar District

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THE REPRESENTATIVE ASSEMBLY
BUDGET SESSION June 1942.

Question No.63.

By Mr Ramaya/Gramodaya (General Rural)

a) Whether it has come to their notice that octroi at the rate of 2 pies per 100 betel leaves is being collected by the Chickballapur Municipality. — Yes

b) Whether such collection is not in contravention of clauses IV, V of Section 61 and Schedule II of the Town Municipal Acts 1933. — YES

c) Whether any representations it had not been decided by the Select Committee that no Municipality should levy an octroi of more than one pie per 100 betel leaves. — It is not known which " Select Committee the member refers to.

d) Whether any representations have been received by the Dewan and Government in the matter of collection of Octroi at the above rates by the Chickballapur Municipality. — NO

Ramachandra

for Secretary to Government
Law Department.

REPRESENTATIVE ASSEMBLY.

Budget Session - June 1942.

Interpellation No.151 by Mr. Y.V. Kumariah, Devanahalli Urban.

Questions	Replies.
Will the Government be pleased to state:-	
a) whether they are aware that betel leaves are consumed mostly by village agriculturists of the State.	a) Betal leaves are consumed by the people of villages as well as of towns
b) whether they are aware that the raiyats are leading a hard life by carefully cultivating the betal leaves, and nursing them with great care, removing the leaves from the creepers by toiling hard day and night like a machine and taking these leaves to various shandies and villages by piling up the leaves into bundles.	b) Its cultivation involves as much hard work and care as any other remunerative occupation
c) whether they are aware that on many occasions a tax of 2 pies is being collected on every bundle of betal leaves which may fetch a price of 3 to 4 pies, in addition to the ground rent	c) This is not quite clear as the number of leaves contained in a bundle is not stated. A maximum Octroi duty of one pie only on every bundle of 100 leaves can be levied in the Town and minor Municipalities according to law. Where ever betal leaves are brought for sale in the Shandies, ground rent is charged as on other commodities according to the bye-laws of the local bodies and the rate of ground rent is generally light.
d e) whether there is a Government Order No.1060-9 M.L.79-145 dated 3-8-1916 to the effect that a tax of one pie of tax on every bundle of betal leaves be taken throughout the State.	e) Yes. It applied only to the Municipalities specified therein and has been superseded by the Municipalities Acts of 1933.

Ramachandra

for Secretary to Government
Law Department.

REPRESENTATIVE ASSEMBLY.

Budget Session, June 1942

Mr. Y V Kumariah, Devanahalli Rural.

Q No 1[illegible] Will the Government be pleased to state -

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b) whether they are aware that the raiyats are l[illegible] hard life by carefully cultivating the betal le[illegible] and nursing them with great care, removing the[illegible] from the creepers by toiling hard day and night[illegible] a machine and taking these leaves to various sh[illegible] and villages by piling up the leaves into bundle[illegible]

c) whether they are aware that on many occasions a tax of 2 pies is being collected on every bundle of betal leaves which may fetch a price of 3 to 4 pies, in addition to the ground rent

d) whether they will agree that this dual tax on the betal leaves is a great burden on the poor village folk

e) whether there is a Government Order No 1060-9 M L [illegible] dated 3-8-1936 to the effect that a tax of one pie on every bundle of betal leaves be taken throughout the State

f) whether it is possible to see that no tax is levied on betal leaves in view of the fact that it is perishable article which will not very soon rot very soon and also to lessen the burden of taxation on the agriculturists

g) whether they would be pleased to cancel the ground tax levied on all bundles of betal leaves in all [illegible]

h) If that cannot be done whether they would be pleased to see that one pie on every bundle of 100 betal leaves is taken as tax and to force the municipalities that are taking 2 pies to take one pie only

CKS.

Replies

(a) Betel leaves are consumed by the people of ~~both the~~ Towns and Villages as well as of towns

(b) Its cultivation involves as much hard work and care as any other remunerative occupation

(c) This is not quite clear as the number of leaves contained in a bundle is not stated A maximum octroi duty of ~~3~~ pice only on every bundle of 100 leaves can be levied in the ~~Town~~ Municipalities according to law whereever betel leaves are brought for sale in the ~~open~~ markets and Standing grounds ~~are charged for selling betel leaves or any other commodity~~ Thanks by the Municipality, ground rent is charged on the commodities according to the bye-laws of the local bodies and the rate of ground rent is generally high.

(d) Yes It applied only to the municipalities specified therein and has been superseded by the Municipalities Acts of 1933

for Secretary to Govt.
Law Dept.

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GOVERNMENT OF MYSORE

112-41-5A.

OFFICE OF

The Deputy Commissioner,

Kolar District,

Kolar.

No Int.2/41-42
Encls Two

Date 6th May 1942

To

V. Narayana Rao, Esq , B A ,LL B ,

Secretary to Government of Mysore,

Law Department, Bangalore

Sir

With reference to your memo No L 10225 dated 27-4-42 regarding question No 63 raised by Mr Muniappa, Goribidnur General Rural, I have the honour to enclose a statement furnishing replies to each of the questions

A copy of the report No H C 136/41-42 dated 3-5-42 received from the President, Chickballapur Municipality is also enclosed for favour of information

I have the honour to be
Sir,
Your most obedient servant,

Deputy Commissioner,
Kolar District

VKR

Letter No H C 136/41-42 dated, Chickballapur 3-5-1942 from the President, Town Municipal Council, Chickballapur to the Deputy Commissioner, Kolar District

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With reference to your memo No Int 2/41-42 dated 29th April 1942 in the matter of furnishing replies to the Interpellations of Mr Muniappa, Goribidnur General Rural, on question No 63 of Budget Sessions 1942, I have the honour to state that an octroi at the rate of 0-0-2 pies on 100 Betel leaves is being levied in this Municipality since 1917

One Mr T S Sampathkumaran, Municipal Councillor had brought a resolution before the Municipal Council in this respect The Municipal Council had resolved at their meeting held on 28-11-1941 that this question need not be considered in the interest of Municipal Revenue since the Municipality has given concession with regard to the marginally noted dutiable articles whichs sustained a heavy loss of Municipal revenue

a) Levying Octroi duty on Petrol

b) do Hand spun Khadi

c) do Beedies manufactured in Mysore State

d) do Local made sarees certified by the Industrial Department

As the levy of Octroi duty on articles in the State differs from one Municipality to the other, the present rate of 0-0-2 pies on 100 betel leaves is not in any way excessive This Municipality has exempted Octroi on Sugar and Jaggory

A statement furnishing the available information on the questions of the Member is herewith enclosed for favour of reference

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C o p y

Deputy Commissioner,
Kolar District

VKR

GOVERNMENT OF MYSORE

Telegr pl ac Add

IMMEDIATE

8 MAY 1942
OFFICE OF
THE DEPUTY COMMISSIONER
SHIMOGA DIST ,
Shimoga,
Dated the May 7th 1942

No. M3 Int 3/41-42
Encls One

To

The Secretary to Government,

Law Department,

Bangalore

SECY LAW DEPT

SUBJECT INTERPELLATION NO 160 - REPRESENTATIVE ASSEMBLY BUDGET SESSION - JUNE 1942 - MR Y V KUMARIAH - DEVANAHALLI - REGARDING LEVY OF TAX ON BETEL LEAVES IN MUNICIPALITIES

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With reference to your letter No L 10342-59 dated 29th April 1942, on the above noted subject, I have the honour to forward herewith draft replies to the same as desired

I have the honour to be,
S i r,
Your most obedient servant

FOR DEPUTY COMMISSIONER

KMR

REPRESENTATIVE ASSEMBLY

BUDGET SESSION - JUNE '42

Mr Y V Kumariah, Devanahalli (Urban)

Q No 160 Will the Government be pleased to State

Question	Reply Shimoga Dis
(a) Whether they are aware that betel leaves are consumed mostly by village agriculturists of the State	Y e s
(b) Whether they are aware that the raiyats are leading a hard - life by carefully cultivating the betel leaves and nursing them with great care, removing the leaves - from the creepers by toiling hard, day and night like a machine and - taking these leaves to various shandies and villages by piling up the leaves into bundles	Y e s
(c) Whether they are aware that on many occasions a tax of 2 pies is being collected on every bundle of betel leaves which may fetch a price of 3 to 4 pies in addition - to the ground rent	No such instances have co to notice
(d) Whether they will agree that this dual tax on the betel leaves is a great burden on the poor village folk	The levy of octroi duty o betel leaves is not a dual taxation on the raiyats who grow - betel leaves, but would be an - indirect tax on the consumers who use betel leaves as an article of luxury
(e) Whether there is a Government Order No 1060-9 ML 79-145 dated 3-9-16 to the effect that a tax of one pie of tax on every - bundle of betel leaves be taken - throughout the State	Y e s According to schedule II of the Town Muncipalities Act 1933 and schedule I of the Taxation Rules of the Minor Municipalities the maximum rate of - octroi leviable on betel leaves is one pie per bundle of 100 betel leaves
(f) Whether it is possible to see that no tax is levied on betel leaves in view of the fact that it is perishable article which will not very - soon and also to lessen the burden of taxation on the agriculturists	As the levy of octroi duty on betel leaves is not a burden on the raiyat and is an indirect taxation on the consumers there appears to be no need to abolish the levy or reduce the present scheduled rate of levy of octroi duty on this article

(g) Whether they would be pleased to cancel the ground rent levied on all bundles of betel leaves in all - shandies

There seems to be no justification for abolition of the levy of ground rent on this item, in view of the reasons stated in para (f) supra

(h) If that cannot be done, whether they would be pleased to see - that one pie on every bundle of 100 betel leaves is taken as tax and to force the Municipalities, that are - taking 2 pies to take one pie only

In Shimoga District only one pie is being recovered as octroi duty on every bundle of 100 betel leaves This concession may be granted in respect of the Municipalities who levy octroi duty in excess of one pie

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Shimoga,
May 7th '42

FOR DEPUTY COMMISSIONER,
Shimoga Dist

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No A 5 2593/41-42

Office of the Deputy Commissioner,
Mandya District
Dated, Mandya, the 5th May 1942.

From

C M H Ranajodha Singh Esq , B A ,
Deputy Commissioner, Mandya District

To

H V Narayana Rao Esq , B A , LL B ,
Secretary to the Government of Mysore,
Law Department, B a n g a l o r e

Sir,

With reference to your letter No L 10342-59 dated 29-4-42, calling for draft replies on the Interpellation moved by Mr V Y Kumariah, I have the honor to forward herewith draft replies for the questions for favour of information

I have the honor to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient servant,

Deputy Commissioner,
Mandya District

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The Representative Assembly
Budget Session June 42
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DRAFT replies to the Interpellation No 160 moved by
Mr Y V Kumariah, Devanahally - Urban)

WHETHER they are aware that betel leaves are consumed mostly by Village Agriculturists of the State	The betel leaves are consumed both by the villagers and the people living in Towns and Cities
WHETHER they are aware that the ryots leading a hard life by carefully cultivating the betel leaves, and nursing them with great care, removing the leaves from the creepers by toiling hard day and night like machine and taking these leaves to various shandies and villages by piling up the leaves into bundles	They bring in small number to shandies for sale and where the is large scale production, ordinarily the product is sold to a whole-sale merchant who removes the same to shandies, Towns and Cities for sale
WHETHER they are aware that on many occasions a tax of 2 pies is being collected on every bundle of betel leaves which may fetch a price of 3 to 4 pies in addition to ground rent	The schedule rate of 1 pie for 100 leaves is being levied No tax is being levied in villages
WHETHER they agree that this dual tax on the betel leaves is an great burden on the poor village folk	Ordinarily a ground rent of 3 pies or six pies only is levied in the shandies This does not seem to be heavy But when the villagers bring for sale only betel leaves exemption from payment of ground rent may perhaps be considered favourably
WHETHER there is Government Order No 1060-9/M1 79-145 dated 3-8-16 to the effect that a tax of one pie ~~of tax~~ on every bundle of betel leaves be taken throughout the State	Yes The schedule rate is 1 pie for 100 leaves
WHETHER it is possible to see that no tax is levied on betel leaves in view of the fact that it is perishable articles which will rot very soon and also to lessen the burden of taxation on the agriculturists	The rate of one pie for 100 leaves is very low and in consideration of the low tax the question does r deserve any consideration
WHETHER they would be pleased to cancel the ground rent levied on all bundles of betel leaves in all shandies	The ground rent of 3 pies or six pies is levied (this) Perhaps this may be exempted when betel leaves only are brought for sale in the shandies

h) IF that cannot be done whether they would be pleased to see that one pie on every bundle of 100 betel leaves is taken as tax to force the Municipalities that are taking 2 pies to take one pie only

The schedule rate is 1 pie for 100 leaves and this is being collected in the Municipalities

Deputy Commissioner,
Mandya District

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The Representative Assembly
Budget Session June 42
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DRAFT replies to the Interpellation No 160 moved by
Mr Y V.Kumariah, Devanahally - Urban)

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WHETHER they would be pleased to cancel the ground rent levied on all bundles of betel leaves in all shandies	The ground rent of 3 pies or six pies is levied (This) Perhaps this may be exempted when betel leaves only are brought for sale in the shandies.

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The schedule rate is 1 pie for 100 leaves and this is being collected in the Municipalities

Deputy Commissioner,
Mandya District.

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GOVERNMENT OF MYSORE

OFFICE OF
The Deputy Commissioner,
Tumkur District,
Tumkur

A 6 C 4217/41-42

Date 9th May 1942

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To

SECY LAW DEPT
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GOVT OF MYSORE

H V Narayana Rao, Esq , B A ,LL B ,
Secretary to Govt of Mysore,
Law Department, Bangalore

Sir

Re Draft replies to the interpellation of Mr Y V Kumaraiya, re levy of tax on betel leaves

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With reference to your letter No L 10342-59 dated 29th April 1942 on the above, I have the honor to forward herewith a statement furnishing the draft replies to the interpellation in question

I have the honor to be,
sir,
Your most obedient servant,

Deputy Commissioner,
Tumkur District

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Statement furnishing the draft replies to the interpellation of Mr Y V Kumaraiya, Devanahalli(Urban) re levy of tax on betel leaves Question No 160

Sl No	Questionnaire	Draft replies
1 a	Whether they are aware that betel leaves are consumed mostly by village agriculturists of the State	Yes, it is also consumed by the citizens
2 b	Whether they are aware that the ryots are leading a hard life by carefully cultivating the betel leaves and nursing them with great care, removing the leaves from the creepers by toiling hard day and night like a machine and taking these leaves to various shandies and villages by piling up the leaves into bundles	Yes
3 c	Whether they are aware that on many occasions a tax of 2 pies is being collected on every bundle of betel leaves which may fetch a price of 3 to 4 pies in addition to the ground rent	No such instances, in any of the Municipalities of this District Octroi duty of 0-0-1 is levied on bundles of 100 betel leaves Ground rent in addition to the levy of octroi duty is levied only in Pavagada Minor Municipality
4 d	Whether they will agree that this dual tax on betel leaves is a great burden on the poor village folk,	No question of dual tax except in Pavagada Municipality
5 e	Whether there is a Government Order No 1060-9/ Ml 79-145 dated 3-8-1916 to the effect that a tax of 0-0-1 on every bundle of betel leaves be taken through out the State	Yes The prescribed rate 0-0-1 on every bundle of 100 betel leaves is being levied

~~levied on betel leaves in view of the fact~~ ~~able to see that no tax is~~ ~~It is for Government to answer~~

levied on betel leaves in view of the fact that it is perishable article which will rot very soon and also to lessen the burden of taxation on the agriculturists	
Whether they would be pleased to cancel the ground rent levied on all bundles of betel leaves in all shandies	-do- as (f)
If that cannot be done whether they would be pleased to see that one pie on every bundle of 100 betel leaves is taken as tax and to force the Municipalities that are taking 2 pies to take one pie only?	This question does not arise as only one pie of tax on every bundle of 100 betel leaves is being levied in all the Town and Minor Municipalities of this District

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Deputy Commissioner,
Tumkur District

GOVERNMENT OF MYSORE 6830/L

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Telegram
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OFFICE OF
The Deputy Commissioner,
Kadur District,
Chikmagalur

No L Dis A3 C 5166-316/41
Encls Encl One

Date 20th May 1942

To

H V Narayana Rao, Esquire, B A , LL B ,
Secretary to Government, Law Department,
Bangalore

SECY L W DEPT
GOVT OF MYSORE

Sir o

Subject - Interpellation No 160 by Mr Y V Kumariah to be answered at the ensuing session of the Representative Assembly in June 1942 regarding the levy of tax on Betel leaves

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With reference to your letter No L 10342-59dated 29th April 1942, calling for draft replies to the above interpellation I have the honour to furnish the same in the statment appended

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient servant,

Assistant Commissioner,
For Deputy Commissioner,
Kadur District
Absent from Headquarters
on tour

REPRESENTATIVE ASSEMBLY - BUDGET SESSION, June 1942

Mr Y V Kumariah, Devanahalli (Urban) Question No 160

will theGovernment be pleased to state -

QUESTION	ANSWER
a Whether they are aware that betel leaves are consumed mostly by village agriculturists of the State	Yes
b Whether they are aware that the raiyats are leading a hard life by carefully cultivating the betel leaves and nursing them with great care, removing the leaves from the creepers by toiling ~~hard~~ hard day and night like a machine and taking these leaves to various shandies and villages by piling up the leaves into bundles	Yes
c Whether they are aware that on many occasions a tax of 2 pies is being collected on every bundle of betel leaves which may fetch a price of 3 to 4 pies, in addition to the ground rent	Octroi tax at one pie per 100 betel leave is collecte in all the Municipalities. Ground rent of 0-1-0 per sh is levied in the shandies at Chikmagalur, Kadur and Ajjampur Towns and at 0-0- in Birur Town No ground r is being levied in other towns viz , Tarikere, Mudig Narasimharajapura, Koppa, I Sringeri neither octroi nor groundrent is levied
d Whether they will agree that this dual tax on the betel leaves is a great burden on the poor village folk	No
e Whether there is a Government order No 1060/11 79-145 dated 3-8-1916 to the effect that a tax of one pie of tax on every bundle of betel leaves be taken throughout the State	Yes The Government Orde applies only to 23 Municipa Councils and not to others According to Schedule IV of the Town Municipalities Act 1933 and Schedule 1 of the Rules relating to taxat ~~in Minor Municipalities~~ the maximum rate on 100 betel leaves ha been fixed at Rs 0-0-1
f Whether it is possible to see that no tax is levied on betel leaves in view of the fact that it is a perishable article which will rot very soon and also to ressen the burden of taxation on the agriculturists	Not possible in the interest of Municipal Revenue
g Whether they would be pleased to cancel the ground-rent levied on all bundles of betel leaves in all shandies	The ground rent is levied for keeping bundles in the shandy maidan only but not elsewhere and that it is not possible to abolish it
h If that cannot be done whether they would be pleased to see that one pie on every bundle of 100 betel leaves is taken as tax and to force the Municipalities, that are taking 2 pies to take one pie only	No Municipality in this District is levying octroi at Rs 0-0-2 per bundle of 100 leaves

Assistant Commissioner,
For Deputy Commissioner,
Kadur District,
Absent from Headquarters

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Immediate

No M6-I R 4/41-42

Office of the Deputy Commissioner,
Bangalore District,
Dated, Bangalore, 11th May 1942

From

S Narayana Rao, Esq , M A , (Hons)
Deputy Commissioner,
Bangalore District

To

H V Narayana Rao, Esq , B A , LL B ,
Secretary to the Government of Mysore,
Legislative Law Department,
Bangalore

Sir,

Interpellation No 160 of Mr Y V Kumariah - Levy of tax on beetle leaves- forwards reply on the -

With reference to your letter No L 10342 59 dated 29-4-1942 on the above subject, I have the honour to forward the draft replies to the interpellation

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient servant,

S Narayana Rao

Deputy Commissioner,
Bangalore District

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(h)	If that cannot be done, whether they would be pleased to see that one pie on every bundle of 100 beetle leaves is taken as tax and to force the Municipalities that are taking 2 pies to take one pie only	This has already been done (Vide answer to Clause 3 (c) and (e)

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Deputy Commissioner,
Bangalore District

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Representative Assembly
Budget Session
1942

Mr Y V Kumariah - Devanahalli Urban

Question No 160

Will the Government be pleased to state

(a) Whether they are aware that beetle leaves are consumed mostly by Village agriculturists of the State	Yes
(b) Whether they are aware that the ryots are leading a hard life by carefully cultivating the beetle leaves and nursing them with great care, removing the leaves from the creepers by toiling hard day and night like a machine and taking these leaves to various shandies and villages by piling up the leaves into bundles	The business is lucrative and pays handsome return on account of huge consumption
(c) Whether they are aware that on many occasions a tax of 2 pies is being collected on every bundle of beetle leaves which may fetch a price of 3 to 4 pies, in addition to the ground rent	Octroi of only 0-0-1 per bundle of 100 leaves is collected in all the Municipalities in this District except Sarjapur where the rate is 0-0-1 per bundle of 200 leaves
(d) Whether they will agree that this dual tax on the beetle leaves is a great burden on the poor village folk	
(e) Whether there is a Government Order No 1060 9/M1 79-145 dated 3-8-1916 to the effect that a tax of one pie of tax on every bundle of beetle leaves to be taken throughout the State	As per schedules of Town, Minor and City Municipalities Acts of 1933, the maximum rate of octroi is fixed to 0-0-1 per bundle of 100 beetle leaves
(f) Whether it is possible to see that no tax is levied on beetle leaves in view of the fact that it is perishable article which will rot very soon and also to lessen the burden of taxation on the agriculturists	The present rate is not high Abolition of octroi on beetle leaves will adversely affect the finances of the Municipalities where they form the main sour e g , Devanahalli and Vadigenahalli.
(g) Whether they would be pleased to cancel the ground rent levied on all bundles of beetle leaves in all shandies	Abolition of ground rent on beetle leaves will benefit the growers, as mostly merchants sell them in shandies

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(h)	If that cannot be done, whether they would be pleased to see that one pie on every bundle of 100 beetle leaves is taken as tax and to force the Municipalities that are taking 2 pies to take one pie only	This has already been done (Vide answer to Clause 3 (c) and (e)

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Deputy Commissioner,
Bangalore District

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Representative Assembly
Budget Session
1942

Mr Y V Kumariah - Devanahalli Urban

Question No 160

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a) Whether they are aware that beetle leaves are consumed mostly by Village agriculturists of the State — Yes

b) Whether they are aware that the ryots are leading a hard life by carefully cultivating the beetle leaves and nursing them with great care, removing the leaves from the creepers by toiling hard day and night like a machine and taking these leaves to various shandies and villages by piling up the leaves into bundles — The business is lucrative and pays handsome return on account of huge consumption

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(e) Whether there is a Government Order No 1060-9/M1 79-145 dated 3-8-1916 to the effect that a tax of one pie of tax on every bundle of beetle leaves to be taken throughout the State — As per schedules of Town, Minor and City Municipalities Acts of 1933, the maximum rate of octroi is fixed to 0-0-1 per bundle of 100 beetle leaves

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(g) whether they would be pleased to cancel the ground rent levied on all bundles of beetle leaves in all shandies — Abolition of ground rent on beetle leaves will not benefit the growers, as mostly merchants sell them in shandies

Office of the Deputy Commissioner,

Hassan District,

No Ml C 4358/41
Encl One

Dated Hassan, the 11th May 1942

From

N S Hirannayya, Esqr , M A ,
Deputy Commissioner,
Hassan District,
Hassan

To

H V Narayana Rao, Esqr , B A , LL B ,
Secretary to Government,
Law Department,
Bangalore

Sir,

Subject Interpellation - Question No 160 by Mr Y V Kumaraiya - Devanhalli, Representative Assembly June 1942

Adverting to your letter No 10342-59 dated 29-4-42 on the above subject, I have the honour to forward herewith draft replies to the above interpellation

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

Deputy Commissioner,
Hassan District

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Mr Y V Kumaraiya --- Devanhalli (Urban)

Question No 160 Will the Government be pleased to state --

		Answers
(a)	Whether they are aware that betel leaves are consumed mostly by village agriculturists of the State?	Yes
(b)	Whether they are aware that ryots are leading a hard life by carefully cultivating the betel leaves and nursing them with great care, removing the leaves from the creepers by toiling hard day and night like a machine and taking these leaves to various Shandies and villages by piling up the leaves into bundles	Yes
(c)	Whether they are aware that, on many occasions a tax of 2 pies is being collected on every bundle of betel leaves which may fetch a price of 3 to 4 pies in addition to the gound rent	A tax at the rate of xxxxxxxx only on pie is being recover in all the Municipa in this District ex Hassan where a tax 2 pies is being rec and no ground rent covered in this ca
(d)	Whether they will agree that this duel tax on the betel leaves is a great burden on the poor village folk	Yes
(e)	Whether there is a Government Order No 1060-9 M1 79-145 dated 3-8-1916 to the effect that a tax of one pie on every bundle of betel leaves be taken thoughout the State	Yes
(f)	Whether it is possible to see that no tax is levied on betel leaves in view of the fact that it is perishable article which will rot very soon and also to lessen the burden of taxation on agriculturists	Not possib interest of th finances
(g)	Whether they would be pleased to cancel the ground rent levied on all the bundles of betel leaves in all shandies	Ground r is n being levied three cipalities o is Dis In respect e em ing 8, grou nt is being recov in ad to the Oct duty the cancel n of th rent affec he inco the Munici ties have limi resc it cannot
(h)	If that cannot be done whether they should be pleased to see that one pie on every bundle of 100 betel leaves is taken as tax and to force the Municipalities that are taking 2 pies to take one pie only	It Municipa is bein Council action

of the rate to one pie and to
amend ~~award~~ the existing byelaw
suitably

Deputy Commissioner,
Hassan District

Mr Y V Kumaraiya --- Devanhalli (Urban):

Question No 160 Will the Government be pleased to state:--

	Answers:
(a) Whether they are aware that betel leaves are consumed mostly by village agriculturists of the State?	Y e s
(b) Whether they are aware that ryots are leading a hard life by carefully cultivating the betel leaves and nursing them with great care, removing the leaves from the creepers by toiling hard day and night like a machine and taking these leaves to various Shandies and villages by filing up the leaves into bundles	Y e s.
(c) Whether they are aware that, on many occasions a tax of 2 pies is being collected on every bundle of betel leaves which may fetch a price of 3 to 4 pies in addition to the gound rent	A tax at the rate of only one pie is being recovered in all the Municipalities in this District except Hassan where a tax of 2 pies is being recovered and no ground rent is recovered in this case
(d) Whether they will agree that this duel tax on the betel leaves is a great burden on the poor village folk	Y e s
(e) Whether there is a Government Order No 1060-9 Ml.79-145 dated 3-8-1916 to the effect that a tax of one pie on every bundle of betel leaves be taken throughout the State	Y e s
(f) Whether it is possible to see that no tax is levied on betel leaves in view of the fact that it is perishable article which will rot very soon and also to lessen the burden of taxation on agriculturists	Not possible in the interest of the Municipal finances
(g) Whether they would be pleased to cancel the ground rent levied on all the bundles of betel leaves in all shandies	Ground rent is not being levied in three Municipalities of this District In respect of the remaining 8, ground rent is being recovered in addition to the Octroi duty As the cancellation of the rent affects the income of the Municipalities which have limited resources, it cannot be recommended.
(h) If that cannot be done whether they should be pleased to see that one pie on every bundle of 100 betel leaves is taken as tax and to force the Municipalities that are taking 2 pies to take one pie only	It is only in Hassan Municipality that 2 pies is being recovered The Council have already taken action for the reduction

of the rate to one pie and to amend the existing byelaw suitably

Deputy Commissioner,
Hassan District

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OFFICE OF THE DEPUTY COMMISSIONER
MYSORE DISTRICT

No D3- C 4240/41-42
Encl one

Dated Mysore the 12th May *1942*

FROM

K SUBBA RAO Lsq B A
Deputy Commissioner, Mysore District
MYSORE

To

H V NARAYANA RAO, ESQ , B A ,LL B ,
Secretary to the Government of Mysore
Law Department, *BANGALORE*

SIR

SUBJECT - Representative Assembly Budget Session June 1942 Question No 160 by Mr Y V Yumariah Devanahalli (Urban)

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With reference to your letter No L 10342-59 dated the 29th April 1942 on the above subject, I have the honour to forward herewith draft replies to the Interpellation

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient servant,

Deputy Commissioner,
Mysore District

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REPRESENTATIVE ASSEMBLY

BUDGET SESSION -June 1942

Draft replies to the Interpellation Q No 160 by Mr Y V Kumariah, Devanahalli (Urban)

Interpellation	Draft replies
Will the Government be pleased to state -	
a) Whether they are aware that betel leaves are consumed mostly by village agriculturists of the State	YES
b) whether they are aware that the raiyats are leading a hard life by carefully cultivating the betel leaves, and nursing them with great care removing the leaves from the creepers by toiling hard day and night like a machine and taking those leaves to various shandies and villages by piling up the leaves into bundles	THE betel leaf cultivator may work hard, but, his profits are correspondingly great Betel leaf cultivation is considered a very remunerative occupation
c) whether they are aware that on many occasions a tax of 2 pies is being collected on every bundle of betel leaves which may fetch a price of 3 to 4 pies, in addition to the ground rent	IT is only in Municipalities that a tax is levied on betel leaves imported into Towns and Cities The maximum rate prescribed is one pie on every bundle of 100 leaves The Village Panchayets do not levy this tax No ground rent is charged in any Municipality except when the betel leaves are taken to the Vegetable Markets where the levy of ground rent is in force
d) whether they will agree that this dual tax on the betel leaves is a great burden on the poor village folk	A bundle of 100 leaves fetches one to one and a half annas A tax of one pie cannot be considered a hardship It is generally passed on to the consumer The village folk are not in the least affected by this tax
e) whether there is a Government Order No 1060-9/M L 79-145 dated 3-8-1916 to the effect that a tax of one pie of tax on every bundle of betel leaves be taken throughout the State	THIS is so
f) whether it is possible to see that no tax is levied on betel leaves in view of the fact that it is perishable article which will rot very soon and also to lessen the burden of taxation on the agriculturists	THE octroi on betel leaves is an important source of Revenue in most of the Municipalities Its levy cannot be dispensed with

Interpellation	Draft replies
g) whether they would be pleased to cancel the ground rent levied on all bundles of betel leaves in all shandies	THE ground rent levied in Shandies is a principal item of Revenue of the District Boards They are not likely to agree to its abolition
h) if that cannot be done whether they would be pleased to see that one pie on every bundle of 100 betel leaves is taken as tax and to force the Municipalities, that are taking 2 pies to take one pie only	NO Municipality in this District levies an Octroi duty of more than one pie for 100 leaves In the Chamarajanagar Municipality, the levy is one pie for 120 leaves, and in the other Municipalities it is one pie for 100 leaves

DEPUTY COMMISSIONER,
Mysore District

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GOVERNMENT OF MYSORE

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OFFICE OF
The Deputy Commissioner,
Kolar District,
Kolar

No Int 7/41-42
Encls one

Date 12th May 1942

To

H. V Narayana Rao, Esq , B A ,LL B ,
Secretary to Government of Mysore,
Law Department, Bangalore

SECY LAW DEPT 1 MAY 42 GOVT OF MYSORE

Sir

With reference to your letter No L 10342-259 dated 29-4-42 regarding the question No 160 raised by Mr Y V Kumariah (Devanahally Urban) I have the honour to furnish draft replies in the enclosed statement

I have the honour to be
Sir,
Your most obedient servant,

for Deputy Commissioner,
Kolar District
(absent from headquarters)

VKR

Representative Asserbly - Budget Session

June 1942

Question No 160

a) Whether they are aware that betel leaves are consumed mostly by village ~~xx~~ agriculturists of the State	Yes
b) whether they are aware that the raiyats are leading a hard life by carefully cultivating the betel leaves, and nursing them with great care, removing the leaves from the creepers by toiling hard day and night like a machine and taking these leaves to various shandies and villages by piling up the leaves into bundles	This crop requires careful nursing
c) whether they are aware that on many occasions a tax of 2 pies is being collected on every bundle of betel leaves which may ~~x~~ fetch a price of 3 to 4 pies, in addition to the ground rent	In all the Municipalities except Chickballapur a tax of 1 pie per 100 betel leaves is being levied in addition to the ground rent
d) whether they will agree that this dual tax on the betel leaves is a great burden on the poor village folk	There is no such dual tax as the two taxes levied are for affording two different and distinct facilities at the cost of the Municipalities
e) whether there is a Government order No 1060-9 M L 79-145 dated 3-8-1916 to the effect that a tax of one pie of tax on every bundle of betel leaves be taken throughout the State	Yes
f) whether it is possible to see that no tax is levied on betal leaves in view of the fact that it is perishable article which will rot very soon and also to lessen the burden of taxation on the agriculturists	Not possible in view of answer to Question No (d)
g) whether they would be pleased to cancel the groundrent levied on all bundles of betel leaves in all shandies	vide ~~question~~ answer to question (d)
) if that cannot be done whether they would be pleased to see that one pie on every bundle of 100 betal leaves is taken as tax and to force the Municipalities, that are taking 2 pies to take one pie only	This will be pointed out to the Municipal Council which is levying 0-0-2 per 100 betel leaves

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KR

for Deputy Commissioner,
Kolar District

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OFFICE OF THE DEPUTY COMMISSIONER
CHITALDRUG DISTRICT

Please refer to
Dis Int 2/41-42
Enclosures One

Dated Chitaldrug 12th May 1942

FROM

R P Mallappa, Esq, B A, LL B,
Deputy Commissioner
Chitaldrug District

H V Narayana Rao, Esq, B A, LL B,
Secretary to Government,
Law Department,
Bangalore

Sir,

Subject - Levy of tax on - betel leaves
Interpellation of Mr Y V Kumariah
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With reference to your letter No L 10342-59 dated 29th May 1942 on the above subject, I have the honour to forward herewith a statement containing the necessary information

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient servant,

Deputy Commissioner,
Chitaldrug List

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Replies to Interpellation - Question No 160 by Ir Y V Kumariah

No	Questions	Replies
	Will the Government be pleased to state -	
a)	Whether they are aware that Betel leaves are consumed mostly by Village agriculturists of the State	Betel leaves are consumed both by the Towns people and Village agriculturists in large quantities
b)	Whether they are aware that the raiyats are leading a hard life by carefully cultivating, the betel leaves and nursing them with great care removing the leaves from the creepers by toiling hard day and night like a machine and taking these leaves to various shandies and villages by piling up the leaves into bundles	This is grown just as any other crop
c)	Whether they are aware that on many occasions a tax of 2 pies is being collected on every bundle of betal leaves which may fetch a price of 3 to 4 pies in addition to the ground rent	In Lavangere, Harihar and Jagalur Municipalities no octroi is recovered on betel leaves only In Chitaldrug Municipality the rate is 0-0-2 pies per every 100 leaves In other Municipalities the rate is 0-0-1 pie per 100 bundle leaves Ground rent (Shandy fees) is levied in all Municipalities
d)	Whether they will agree that this dual tax on the betel leaves is agreat burden on the poor village folk	This taxation is not a burden on the growers as they get good price for the leaves
e)	whether there is a Government order No 1060-9 1 79-145 dated 3-8-16 to the effect that a tax of one pie on every bundle of betel leaves be taken throughout the State	Yes The maximum permissible according to the schedules of the Town Municipality Act of 1933 and Rules regulating the taxation in Minor Municipalities is one pie per bundle of 100 leaves
f)	whether it is possible to see that no tax is levied on betel leaves in view of the fact that it is perishable article which will rot very soon and also to lessen the burden of taxation the agriculturists	It is not desirable to abolish the levy as it fetches a good income to the Municipalities and it is mostly borne by the consumers and not on the growers
g)	whether they would be pleased to cancel the ground rent levied on all bundles of betel leaves in all shandies	Groundnent (shandy fees) is levied for places occupied by the traders irrespective of the articles sold In cases where betel leaves are sold outside the shandy no such fee is recovered It is not possible to exempt the levy of ground rent, as the income is mainly utilised to give facilities to the sellers by improving the

shandy area and providing such where there is no facility

(h) If that cannot be done, whether theywould be pleased to see that one pie on every bundle of 100 betel leaves is taken as tax and to force the Municipalities that are taking 2 pies to take one pie only

This can be done The Chitaldrug Municipality will be advised to take immediate action to see that the levy is kept at the permissible maximum of 0-0-1 pie on 100 leaves

Deputy Commissioner,
Chitaldrug Dist

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SUBJECT.

Section Ml
File No 112-41
Serial No 5-8

Draft No of letter replied to

No L 11771—3

To

The D C (1) Chitaldrug Taluk
(2) Hassan
(3) Kolar Taluk

General and Revenue Secretariat

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Sir,

I am directed to state that it has come to the notice of Govt that the

(1) Chitaldrug Town mal ct
(2) Hassan Town mal ct
(3) Chikkaballapur Town mal ct

are levying octroi duty on betel leaves in excess of the maximum rate prescribed in ~~the~~ Schedule II of the Mysore Town Municipalities Act, 1933 and ~~the~~ ~~rules~~ ~~thereunder~~ ~~and~~ ~~in~~ ~~force~~ ~~in~~ ~~the~~ ~~State~~ to refund the

Date of issue 19/6/42

Signed by [illegible]

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the [illegible] society in question so as to be

in conformity with the provisions of

law, as the present state of levy is irregular. I am to add th
This should have been noticed by you in the course of your annu
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reports of these villag

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Law Dept.

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GOVERNMENT OF MYSORE

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No A6 3981-41
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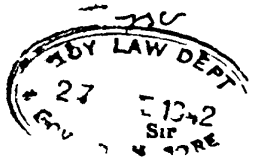
OFFICE OF
The Deputy Commissioner,
Chitaldrug District,
Chitaldrug
Date 26th June 1942

To

A Sundararaja Rao, Esq, B A, B L,
Secretary to Government,
Law Department, Bangalore



Octroi duty on betal leaves - Chitaldrug Municipality
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With reference to your letter No L 11771-3/M1 112-41-59 dated 19th June 1942, on the above subject, I have the honour to state that instructions were issued on 12-5-1942 to the President, Town Municipal Council, Chitaldrug for regularising the levy of octroi on betal leaves as the present levy was contrary to the provisions contained in Schedule II of Town Lunicipalities Act

The Council has thereupon resolved on 7-6-42 that the levy may be abolished as the realisation on this account is very small and the hardship caused to raiyats is great The President Town Municipal Council, Chitaldrughas reported, that a sum of about Rs 800/- was being realised annually on this account, when the rate was two pies per bundle of 100 leaves, that if the rate is reduced to 1 pie per bundle of 100 leaves the realisation would not be more than Rs 400/- per annum which is very small and that the levy may therefore be abolished from 1-7-42

As it may not be desirable to abolish the levy entirely, I have called for further particulars from the President re: the income during the previous 5 years from betal leaves and will make a further communication on receipt of the report of the President

A copy of this Office memo, a copy of the report of the President

and the resolution of the Council are forwarded for reference

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient servant,

for Deputy Commissioner,
Chitaldrug Dist
(Absent from station)

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Letter No P C 130/41-42 dated 17th June 1942 from the President, Town Municipal Council, Chitaldrug, to the Deputy Commissioner, Chitaldrug District

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With reference to memo No Int 2/41-42 dated 12th May 1942 requesting to take action to reduce the duty leviable on betal leaves in this Municipality etc , I have the honour to state that this matter was placed before the Council and they have resolved in their meeting held on 7-6-1942 that this levy be entirely abolished as the revised levy would fetch very small amount and cause great hardship The average annual realisation from this source is Rs 800/- nearly and if the present levy is reduced to one pie, the income will be about Rs 300/- to Rs 400/- which will be a very small amount

Under these circumstances, I request you to obtain sanction of Government to abolish the levy of this duty from next official year, as resolved by the ~~xxxxxxx~~ Council

Copy of the resolution is also enclosed for kind perusal

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"Copy"

Deputy Commissioner,
Chitaldrug Dist

No Int 2/41-42

Office of the Deputy Commissioner,
Chitaldrug District,
Dated, Chitaldrug 12th May 1942

M e m o

It is seen that the Town Municipal Council, Chitaldrug, is levying octroi on betal leaves at 2 pies per bundle of 100 leaves As this levy is beyond the maximum permissible under the Town Municipal Act of 1933, the President, Town Municipal Council, Chitaldrug is requested to take immediate action to see that the levy is regularised in accordance with schedule II of the Town Municipal Act This levy of 2 pies is contrary to the provisions of the Town Municipalities Act

Sd/- R Bharaniah,

For Deputy Commissioner,
Chitaldrug District

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Deputy Commissioner

Extract from the Resolution of the Municipal meeting held on 7 6 1942 in the Chitaldrug Town Municipal office

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Ref No 8/23 dated 7 6 1942

Resolution

Resolved that the levy of deely- be entirely abolished on the local taxes as the revised levy would fetch a small sum amount but would cause great hardship

Extract

By Municipal,
CHITALDRUG MUNICIPALITY

No A 5 C 3268/41-42
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Office of the Deputy Commissioner,
Kolar District,
Dated, Kolar, the 15th August 1942

To

The Secretary to the Government of Mysore,

Law Department,

Bangalore

Sir,

With reference to your letter No L 11771-3 dated 19th June 1942 calling for a report of action taken to reduce the Octroi duty on betal leaves in Chikballapur Municipality so as to be in conformity with the provisions of the Town Municipalities Act of 1933, I have the horour to state that it is reported by the President of the Municipal Council that the levy of Octroi duty at 0-0-2 per 100 betal leaves has been discontinued and that octroi duty at 0-0-1 per 100 betal leaves is being levied from 1st July 1942 in pursuance of the Council resolution dated 30th May 1942

The present levy of octroi duty on betal leaves at 0-0-1 per nundred is in accordance with the rate prescribed in schedule II of the Town Municipalities Act of 1933 and I request you to be so good as to obtain sanction of Government to the resolution of the Council for the levy of Octroi duty at 0-0-1 per hundred from 1st July 1942 An extract of the resolution of the Council dated 30th May 1942 and a copy of Government Order No L 721/M 1 54-17-40 dated 7th June 1917 sanctioning amorg other things the levy of octroi at 0-0-2 per ~~hundred~~ hundred leaves are herewith enclosed for favour of information

I have the horour to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient servant,

For Deputy Commissioner,
Kolar District
(Absent from station)

Schedule A Taxes

Sanctioned in Government Order No 721 M1 54-17-4 dated 7-8-1917

For Chikballapur Town Municipality

No	Name of tax	Class of property liable	Amount for which or rate at which class liable	Exemptions	Time at which taxes payable
1	Taxes on buildings and building sites	xx	xx	xx	Time of import of goods into Munici-pal limits
11	Taxes on vacant lands falling under Section 59 Clause(1) 2	xx	xx	xx	xx
111	Taxes on Vehicles and animals	xx	xx	xx	xx
1V	Mohatarfa, shop and Oil Mill taxes	xx	xx	xx	xx
V	Octroi	The articles mentioned in the next column when imported into Municipal limits	1) Cocoanuts fresh 100 0-8-4 11) Do dry maunds of 40 seers 0-8-0 111) Betel leaves 100 0-0-2 1V) Oils per maund 0-2-0 v) Kerosene oil per tin 0-2-0 v1) Oil seeds per khandi 0-4-0 v11) a) Tobacco per maund 0-8-0 b) Cut Tobacco box 1lb 0-1-0 C) Cigarettes per box of 500 0-2-0 d) Cigars per box of 100 0-1-0 e) Tobacco stalks per maund ( ) 0-1-0 v111) Sheep & Goat each 0-2-0 1x) Piece goods valued at Rs 100/- 2-0-0	1) Personal luggage of travellers articles received by Post only for Bona-fide household purpose, Property of Government at the time of import and accompanied by an invoice certified by the departmental heads concerned that the property therein mentioned belongs to Government (11) Goods which are declared not to be intended for use or consumption with-in the Municipal limits and are take to the bonded ware-house as provided in the Bye-laws provided that if such goods be not exported they shall pay full duty (111) Six green Cocoanuts, one hundred betel leaves and one seer of Tobacco, two and half seers of Oil and two clothes if brought for personal consumption by bona-fide travellers or passengers in a Railway Train

President 29/3
Town Municipal Council
CHIKBALLAPUR

PROCEEDINGS OF THE ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING OF THE TOWN MUNICIPAL COUNCIL CHIKBALLAPUR HELD ON 30-5-1942 at 5-30P M in the Town Jubilee Hall

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Subject No 5

Interpellation memo No 2/41-42 dated 12-5-1942 from the Deputy Commissioner,Kolar District stating that the present levy of duty of 0-0-2 pies per 100 Betel leaves is in excess of maximum rate fixed in the Schedule 11 of the Town Municipal Act of 1933 Action may be taken to reduce the same

Resolution - The levy will be reduced from two pies to one pie from July first The income will be reduced by one thousand on account of this reduction The Octroi income of this Municipality is being reduced year by year on account of these reductions The Government is requested to consult the Local Bodies before any concession is granted in the matter of Octroi

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' Extract'

For President
Town Municipal Council,
Chikballapur

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Diary No of letter replied to

Section M

File No 112-41

Serial No

General and Revenue Secretariat

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Proceedings of the Government of His Highness the Maharaja of Mysore

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Signed by Hs G Rao

Read— Correspondence ending with letter No As C 2268/41-42 of 15 8 1942, from the D C Kolar Dist, regarding sanction to the resolution of 30 5 1942, passed by the Dod Chickballapur Town Municipal Council to levy octroi duty at the rate of one pie on every hundred of rice or paddy, brought for sale into the limits from 1 7 1942, Municipality instead of two as was levied hitherto to be in conformity with Schedule II of the Mysore Town Municipalities Act of 1933

No L 2510-1 91 9/4

Sanctioned

May this be—

(i) printed?

(ii) treated as a standing order?

(iii) published in the Gazette English Part?

(iv) translated

(v) placed at the disposal of the press?

(vi) published in the Gazette Kannada Part

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Order in red ink No

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To D C Kolar

Comptroller

for Secretary

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GOVERNMENT OF MYSORE

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No A6. 3981/41-42
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OFFICE OF
The Deputy Commissioner,
Chitaldrug District,
Chitaldrug

Date 26th August 1942

Rev 142-41-78

To

C Narayanaswamy Naidu,Esq ,B A ,B L ,
Secretary to Government,
Law Department, Bangalore

SECY LAW DEPT 2 GOVT OF MYSORE

Sir,

Levy of octroi duty on betal leaves -
Chitaldrug Municipality
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In continuation of my report No A6 3981/41-42 dated 26th June 1942 re the above, I have the honour to state that a memo was issued to the President on 3rd July 1942 requesting the Municipal Council to reconsider the question of levying octroi duty at one pi on 100 leaves as the Municipality realises an annual income of Rs 450 to 500/- per annum The question was placed before the Council at its meeting dated 31st July 1942 and it has been resolved that there is no need to reconsider the matter as it has already been decided

2 In this connection, I have to state that the Municipality will realise an annual amount of Rs 450 to Rs 500 even if the levy is reduced to 0-0-1 per 100 betal leaves and this realisation ~~xxxxxx~~ cannot be considered too small

3 I therefore recommend that sanction of Government may kindly be obtained for the continuance of the levy of octroi duty at 0-0-1 per 100 betal leaves ~~xx xx~~ A copy of the resolution of the Council wi a copy of report No H C 130/41-42 dated 3-8-42 is forwarded herewith

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient servant,

Deputy Commissioner,
Chitaldrug Dist

MN

Letter No H C 130/41-42 dated 3rd August 1942 from the the President, Town Municipal Council, Chitaldrug, to the Deputy Commissioner, Chitaldrug District

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I have the honour to state that the subject of abolition of levy of duty on betal leaves, was again placed before the Council as per your Docket No A6 3981 dated 3-7-1942 and they have resolved in their meeting held on 31-7-1942 that there is no need to reconsider the matter as it has already been decided The Council is not in favour of levying at one pie A copy of the resolution is herein enclosed I therefore request that sanction of Government may kindly be obtained for discontinuing the levy of octroi duty on this item

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"Copy"

Deputy Commissioner,
Chitaldrug Dist

Extract from the Resolution of the ordinary General meeting of the Town Municipal Council Chitradurga held on 31-7-1962 at in the Town Hall

Subject - 17/31-7-1962

Resolution

Extract

President,
Town Municipal Council,
Chitradurga.

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Diary No of letter replied to

Section M

File No 112—41

Serial No 79

General and Revenue Secretariat

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Proceedings of the Government of His Highness the Maharaja of Mysore

Date of issue 15/9/42 193

Signed by Ins G R Rao

Read— Letter no A6 3981/41 d 26 6 1942, from the D C Chitaldrug, reporting that, as the present levy of ochre at 2 pies per bundle of 100 betel leaves in the Chitaldrug Town Municipality was contrary to the provisions of Schedule II of the Mysore Order under Sec. 80 of the Town Municipalities Act, 1933, the Municipal Council was advised to reduce the ochre to one pie so as to be in conformity with the prescribed rate, and that the Municipal Council has resolved on 7 6 1942 to abolish the ochre duty altogether

May this be—

(i) printed?

(ii) treated as a standing order?

(iii) published in the Gazette English Part?

(iv) translated?

(v) placed at the disposal of the press?

(vi) published in the Gazette Kannada Part?

adding That the Municipal Council
has been requested to reconsider their
resolution

2) Correspondence ending with letter
No A6 2981/42 of 26 & 42, from the
same Officer, reporting that the Municipal
Council have resolved on 8/7/42, That
there is no need to reconsider their resolution
of 7/6/1942, to abolish the levy of octroi duty
on betel leaves and recommending That, as
the income from octroi on betel leaves of Rs.
even at the rate of one pie per bundle of 100 leaves
would come to Rs 2450/- to Rs 5000/- p.a. Sanction may
be accorded to reduce the levy of octroi on betel leaves
to one pie on every bundle of 100 leaves, brought
for sale within the limits of the Chitaldrug Town
Municipality, which will be in accordance with
the present rate
of octroi 3079-80 of 1579/Rs

Resolution

The proposal of the Municipal Council to abolish
the levy of octroi duty on betel leaves cannot be
approved, and the Commissioner is requested to
inform the Town Municipality accordingly

By order and in the name of the Governor of Mysore (46)

Secretary to Government

Commerce & Industries Department

Bangalore dated 19 Dec 1983

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GENERAL AND REVENUE SECRETARIAT

(Continuation sheet draft form)

As the present levy of octroi duty as levied at Rs per 100 betel leaves in the ~~Chitaldrug~~ Town Municipality is illegal and ultra vires offends the provisions of section 61(6) read with Schedule II of the ~~Mysore~~ Act Town Municipalities ~~Act 1933~~, Govt are pleased to direct that the levy be reduced to one pie per 100 betel leaves brought for sale within the limits of the Municipal ~~Chitaldrug~~ Town, so as to be in conformity with the rates prescribed in the aforesaid Schedule

By order

for Secy to Govt

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To The D C ~~Chitaldrug~~ Dvg

Copy to the Secy

The Municipal Council may be informed & directed to reduce the levy at the rate now charged as per the rate mentioned in Sch II of the Act

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PROCEEDINGS OF THE GOVERNMENT OF HIS HIGHNESS THE MAHARAJA OF MYSORE

Read :-

I t r No. Ac 3071/41 dat d th 20th Jun 1941 fro d n ty co is sion r, Chitaldrug Di trict, r portin that, on th r t l of octroi du y p y bl on 100 b ll ck l v s in th Chitaldrug Municipal limit was co l ct d by v rtu of a notification issued under Schedule II of the Mysore Town Municipalities Act 1933, the Municipal Council was advised to reduce the octroi to one pie per lb as was in conformity with the prescribed rates, and that the Municipal Council had resolved on the 7th June 1941 to abolish the octroi duty altogether and requesting that the Municipal Council may be permitted to reconsider their resolution.

2. Commissioner of Municipalities in his letter No. Ac 3932/41-42 dated the 5th August 1941 from whom the above extract is taken, reported that the Municipal Council have reconsidered their resolution dated the 31st July 1941, that they are prepared to rescind their resolution dated the 7th June 1941, to abolish the levy of octroi duty on betel leaves and accordingly that, as the income from this source, if levied even at the rate of one pie per bundle of 100 leaves would come to Rs. 400/- to Rs. 500/- per annum sanction may be accorded to reduce the levy of octroi from the present rate of one pie per bundle of 100 betel leaves, brought for sale into the limits of the Chitaldrug Town Municipality, which would be in accordance with the prescribed rates.

Order No. L 3079-80/Ind/12-41-42

Read the above, is ordered.

The resolution of the Chitaldrug Town Municipal Council to abolish the levy of octroi duty on betel leaves cannot be approved under the proviso to Section (46) of the Mysore Town Municipalities Act 1933. As the present levy of octroi duty at one pie per 100 betel leaves in the Municipality is illegal and it offends the provisions of Section 61 (b) read with Schedule II

of the Act, The Municipal Council is directed to fix the tax at the rate mentioned in Schedule II of the Act.

Secretary to Government,
Local Departments.

The Deputy Commissioner, Chittoor District,
The Controller to Government.

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SHIMOGA DISTRICT BOARD

No C 402/L B 41-42
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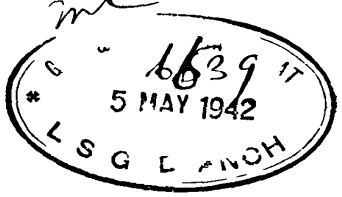
LAW DEPT

From

L SIDDAPPA ESQ B A LL B
President District Board
Shimoga

Office of the President District Board
SHIMOGA DISTRICT

Dated the 1st May, 1942



To

H V Narayana Rao Esq B A LL B
Secretary to the Government of Mysore
Law Department BANGALORE

Sir

Subject - Question No 160 - Interpellation of
Mr Y V Kumariah Devanahalli

As desired in your letter No L 10342-58 dated 29-4-1942 I have the honour to forward herewith draft replies to the above

I have the honour to be
Sir
Your most obedient servant

L. Siddappa

President
District Board Shimoga

In view if these papers may not be deposited, as The connected file No Ml 112-41-56, 58, 59, 77, 78, 79 on the connected subject is placed and marked B

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Please place these reps in the file below arranged papers of the Chl stitched The matter raised in the Central Cases are based on the reply sent to the interpellation

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REPRESENTATIVE ASSEMBLY

Budget Session, June 1942

Mr Y V Kumariah, Devanahalli (Urban)

- 160 - Will the Government be pleased to state

(a) whether they are aware that betel leaves are consumed mostly by village agriculturists of the State

Yes

(b) whether they are aware that the raiyats are leading a hard life by carefully cultivating the betel leaves and nursing them with great care removing the leaves from the creepers by toiling hard day and night like a machine and taking these leaves to various shandies & villages by piling up the leaves into bundles

~~It is a matter of opinion.~~ perhaps it is so in some cases

(c) whether they are aware that on many occasions a tax of 2 pies is being collected on every bundle of betel leaves which may fetch a price of 3 to 4 pies, in addition to the ground rent

Tax at the rate of 0-0-6 per head load of bundle is being levied in the shandies under the control of the District Board No ground rent is recovered

(d) whether they will agree that this dual tax on the betel leaves is a great burden on the poor village fold

Does not arise in view of answer to question No (c)

(e) whether there is a Government Order No 1060-9/1 L 79-145, dated 3-8-1916 to the effect that a tax of one pie of tax on every bundle of betel leaves be taken throughout the State

(f) whether it is possible to see that no tax is levied on betel leaves in view of the fact that it is perishable article which will not very soon and also to lessen the burden of taxation on the agriculturists

Not possible as it affects the ~~the~~ revenue of the Board and also on account of the fact that no exception can be made in favour of betel leaves

(g) whether they would be pleased to cancel the ground rent levied on all bundles of betel leaves in all shandies

No

(h) If that cannot be done whether they would be pleased to see that one pie on every bundle of 100 betel leaves is taken as tax and to force the Municipalities that are taking 2 pies to take one pie only

Same as reply to question No (d)

S Sadappa

President,
District Board, Shimoga

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OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT
DISTRICT BOARD BANGALORE

No SL 42 11/41-42(1)
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Dated Bangalore 1st May 1942

From

B ABDUR RAHMON Esq BA
President District Board
BANGALORE

SECY LAW DEPT
6 MAY 42
GOVT OF MYSORE

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6 MAY 1942
SECTION

To

The Secretary to
The Government of Mysore,
Law Department,
BANGALORE

Sir

As desired in your letter No L 10342-59 dated 29th April 1942, I have the honour to furnish herewith draft replies to interpellation No 160 to be answered at the ensuing session of the Representative Assembly The subject apparently pertains to the levy of different rates of Octroi on betel leaves in the Municipalities

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient servant,

B Rahmon

President,
District Board

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Interpellation No 160

Questions	Answers
1	2
a) Whether they are aware that betel leaves are consumed mostly by village agriculturists of the State	Yes
b) Whether they are aware that the Raiyets are leading a hard life by carefully cultivating the betel leaves, and nursing them with great care, removing the leaves from the creepers by toiling hard day and night like a machine and taking these leaves to various shandies and villages by piling up the leaves into bundles	Yes
c) Whether they are aware that on many occasions a tax of 2 pies is being collected on every bundle of betel leaves which may fetch a price of 3 to 4 pies, in addition to the ground rent.	In this Board a fee of only Rs, 000-6 for every 25 Kuttug of 100 leaves each,
d) Whether they will agree that this dual tax on the betel leaves is a great burden on the poor village folk	No dual tax is levied in the Board
e) Whether there is a Government Order No 1060-9/M L 79-145, dated 3-8-1916 to the effect that a tax of one pie of Tax on every bundle of betel leaves be taken throughout the State	The rate in this Board is still less
f) Whether it is possible to see that no tax is levied on betel leaves in view of the fact that it is perishable article which will rot very soon and also to lessen the burden of taxation on the agri-culturists	Not possible
g) Whether they would be pleased to cancel the ground rent levied on all bundles of betel leaves in all shandies	No ground tax is levied in this Board
h) If that cannot be done whether they would be pleased to see that one pie on every bundle of 100 betel leaves is taken as tax and to force the Municipalities, that are taking 2 pies to take one pie only	———

B A Rao

President,
District Board

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OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT DISTRICT BOARD
KOLAR DISTRICT

Dated Kolar the 4th May 1942

From

LOKASEVASAKTA L VEMA REDDY ESQ
PRESIDENT DISTRICT BOARD KOLAR

To

H V NARAYANA RAO, Esquire, B A, LL B,
SECRETARY TO THE GOVERNMENT OF MYSORE,
Law Department BANGALORE

~~Thro~~
~~(The Deputy Commissioner Kolar District)~~

SECY LAW DEPT
5 MAY 1942
GOVT OF MYSORE

Sir

Adverting to your letter No L 10342-59 dated 29th April 1942 calling for draft replies to the Interpellation No 160 put by one Mr Y V Kumariah regarding the tax on betal leaves, I have the honour to furnish herewith draft replies for favour of your kind perusal

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient servant,

[signature]
President,
Dist Board, Kolar

By Mr Y V Kumariah. M L A

Question No 160

Will the Government be pleased to state:--

Whether they are aware that betal leaves are consumed mostly by village agriculturists of the State	Y e s
Whether they are aware that the raiyats are leading a hard life by carefully cultivating the betel leaves, and nursing them with great care, removing the leaves from the creepers by toiling hard day and night like a machine and taking those leaves to various shandies and villages by piling up the leaves into bundles.	Y e s
Whether they are aware that on many occasions a tax of 2 pies i s being collected on every bundle of betal leaves which may fetch a price of 3 to 4 pies in addition to the ground rent	The Board is not aware of this as this relates to Municipality
Whether they will agree that this duel tax on the betal leaves is a great burden on the poor village folk.	This does not arise
Whether there is a Government order No 1060-MI 79-145 dated 3-8-1916 to the effect that a tax of one pie of tax on every bundle of betal leaves be taken throughout the State	This does not relate to the District Board
Whether it is possible to see that no tax is levied on betal leaves in view of the fact that it is persihable article which will not very soon and also to lessen the burden of taxation on the agriculturists	This is a matter of opinion
whether they would be pleased to cancel the ground rent levied on all bundles of betal leaves in all shandies	The ground rent that is prevailing in Board managed shandies is only one annax per head load and is not very heavy and therefore cannot be waived
If that cannot be done whether they would be pleased to see that one pie on every bundle of 100 betal leaves is taken as tax and to force the Municipalities, that are taking 2 pies to take one pie only	

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President,
Dist Board, Kolar

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No C 541/41
Encl

Office of the President, District Board,
Mysore District,

Mysore
Dated 4th May 1942

From

K C SUBBANNA ESQ,
President District Board
MYSORE

To

The Secretary,
to the Government of His Highness the Maharaja of Mysore,
Law Department, Bangalore

Sir Through,

The Deputy Commissioner, Mysore District, Mysore

Adverting to your letter No L 10342-59 dated 29th April 1942 forwarding interpellation Reg -Taxation on Betal Leaves Etc I have the honour to state that this tax is not in existance in this Board However ground rent of annas one(0-1-0) on each such shop is being collected as per G O No L 9504-5/LB163-30-2 Dated 18-5-31 and G O No L 8476-7/LB 105-31-15 Dated23-6-32 on other similar shops

I Have the Honour to be
Sir
Your Most Obedient Servant

President

SECY LAW DEPT
GOVT OF MYSORE

No 3
6 MAY 24
DISTRICT

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Forwarded with Compliments

Deputy Commissioner
Mysore District

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OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT DISTRICT BOARD

Hassan Dated 1st. May 1942

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FROM

Y DHARMAPPA Esq B A B L
PRESIDENT DISTRICT BOARD
HASSAN

To.

SECRETARY TO THE GOVERNMENT OF
HIS HIGHNESS THE MAHARAJA OF MYSORE
LAW DEPARTMENT BANGALORE

SECY LAW DEPT 2 MAY 1942 GOVT OF MYSORE

~~THROUGH THE DEPUTY COMMISSIONER HASSAN DISTRICT~~

Sir

In reply to your letter No L 10342-59 dated 29th April 42 forwarding a copy of interpellation of Mr Y V Kumaraiah of Devanahalli to be answered at the ensuing session of the Representative Assembly re the tax on betal leaves, I have the honour to furnish the information as noted below

a) Whether they are aware that betal leaves are consumed mostly by village agricultrists of the State	Yes
b) Whether they are aware that the raivats are leading a hard life by carefully cultivating the betal leaves, and nursing them with great care, removing the leaves from the creepers by toiling hard day and night like a machine and taking these leaves to various shandies and villages by piling up the leaves into bundles	Yes
c) Whether they are aware that on many occasions a tax of 2 pies is being collected on every bundle of betal leaves which may fetch a price of 3 to 4 pies, in addition to the ground rent	No such instance under this Board as no tax is being levied on betal leaves seperately
d) Whether they will agree that this dual tax on the betal leaves is a great burden on the poor village folk	

e) Whether there is a Government order No 1060-9/L L 79-145, dated 3-8-1916 to the effect that a tax of one pie on every bundle of betal leaves be taker throughout the state

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f) Whether it is possible to see that no tax is levied on betal leaves in view of the fact that it is perishable article which will rot very soon ard also to lessen the burden of taxation on the agriculturists

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g) Whether they would be pleased to cancel the ground rent levied on all bundles of betal leaves

Vide answer to question No C above

h) If that cannot be done whether they would be pleased to see that one pie on every bundle of 100 leaves is taken as tax ard to force the Municipalities, that are taking 2 pies to take one pie only

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G D Channabasappa

President,

District Board, Hassan

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OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT DISTRICT BOARD
Hassan Dated 1st. May 1942.

FROM

Y DHARMAPPA Esq B A B L
PRESIDENT DISTRICT BOARD
HASSAN

SECY LAW DEPT GOVT OF MYSORE

TO

SECRETARY TO THE GOVERNMENT OF
HIS HIGHNESS THE MAHARAJA OF MYSORE
LAW DEPARTMENT BANGALORE

Forwarded with Compliments
Deputy Commissioner
Hassan

THROUGH THE DEPUTY COMMISSIONER HASSAN DISTRICT.

Sir

In reply to your letter No L 10342-59 dated 29th April 12 forwarding a copy of interpellation of Mr Y V Kumariah of Devanahalli to be answered at the ensuing session of the Representative Assembly re the tax on betal leaves, I have the honou to furnish the information as noted below

i) Whether they are aware that betal leaves are consumed mostly by village agriculturists of the State	Yes
ii) Whether they are aware that the raiyats are leading a hard life by careful' y cultivating the betal leaves, and nursing them with great care, removing the leaves from the creepers by toiling hard day a d night like a machine and taking these leaves to various shardies and villages by piling up the leaves into burdles	Yes
iii) Whether they are aware that on many occasions a tax of 2 pies is being collected on every bundle of betal leaves which may fetch a price of 3 to 4 pies, in addition to the ground rent	No such instance under th Board as no tax is being lev or betal leaves seperately
iv) Whether they will agree that this dual tax on the betal leaves is a great burden on the poor village folk.	

e) Whether there is a Government order No. 1060-9/M L.79-145, dated 3-8-1916 to the effect that a tax of one pie on every bundle of betal leaves be taken throughout the state. -----

f) Whether it is possible to see that no tax is levied on betal leaves in view of the fact that it is perishable article which will rot very soon and also to lessen the burden of taxation on the agriculturists ------

g) Whether they would be pleased to cancel the ground rent levied on all bundles of betel leaves Vide answer to question No. above

h) If that cannot be done whether they would be pleased to see that one pie or every bundle of 100 leaves is taken as tax and to force the Municipalities, that are taking 2 pies to take one pie only ------

G. D. Ramaiah

President,

To District Board, Hassan

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MANDYA DISTRICT BOARD

No B2 c 426/41-42

Encl One

Office of the President District Board
Mandya District
Mandya Dated 5th May 1942

From

K CHIKKALINGIAH Esq B A LL B
President District Board
MANDYA

To

H V NARAYANA RAO, ESQ , B A , LL B ,
Secretary to Government of Mysore,
Law Department, Bangalore

With reference to your letter No L 10342-59, dated 29th April 1942, forwarding a copy of an interpellation No 160 to be answered at the ensuing Session of the Representative Assembly in June 1942 and requesting to furnish the draft replies to the same, I have the honour to forward herewith the draft replies as desired

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

K Chikkalingiah

President,
District Board, Mandya

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RLPRESENTATIVE ASSEMBLY

Budget Session, June '42

Mr Y V Kumariah, Devanahalli (U r b a n)

Q No 160 - Will the Government be pleased to state -

ı) Whether they are aware that betal leaves are consumed mostly by village agriculturists of the State	Yes
b) whether they are aware that the raiyats are leading a hard life by carefully cultivating the betal leaves, and nursing them with great care, removing the leaves from the creepers by toiling hard day and night like a machine and taking these leaves to various shandies and villages by piling up the leaves into bundles	Yes
c) whether they are aware that on many occasions a tax of 2 pies is being collected on every bundle of betal leaves which may fetch a price of 3 to 4 pies, in addition to the ground rent	Only a ground rent of thr pies on every bundle (ತಲೆಕಟ್ಟ is collected in all the shand under the control of the Mandy District Board
d) whether they will agree that this duel tax on the betal leaves is a great burden on the poor village folk	No separate octroi duty levied but only a ground rent as stated above is collected, hence no duel tax
e) Whether there is a Government Order No 1060-9/M L 79-145, dated 3-8-1916 to the effect that a tax of one pie of tax on every bundle of betal leaves be taken throught the State	This order is with refere to the levy of octroi duty in the several minor, major and city municipalities in the St and not to the ground rent collected at the shandies unde the control of the District Boards
f) whether it is possible to see that no tax is levied on betal leaves in view of the fact that it is perishable article which will ~~m~~ rot very soon and also to lessen the burden of - taxation on the agriculturists	Does not apply to the grou rent being collected in the shandies under the control of the District Boards
g) whether they would be pleased to - cancel the ground rent levied on all bundles of betal leaves in all - shandies	The Board has resolved at its Special Meeting held on 31-3-41, that levy of fees at the shandies under the contro of this District Board be - abolished But the Governmen did not approve of it vide correspondence ending with Government letter No L 9555/L 13-41-16, dated 9-4-42, on the suoject
h) If that cannot be done whether they would be pleased to see that one pie on every bundle of 100 betal leaves is taken as tax and to force the Municipalities, that are taking - 2 pies to take one pie only	In view of the above (g) this does not arise

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President,
District Board, Mandya

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OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT DISTRICT BOARD

Chitaldrug Dated 7th May 1942

From

S VEERABASAPPA ESQ B A LL B
PRESIDENT DISTRICT BOARD
CHITALDRUG DISTRICT

SECY & LAW DEPT
8 MAY 1942
GOVT OF MYSORE

GEN & REV BRN
8 MAY 1942

To

H V Narayana Rao, Esqr ,B A ,LL B ,
Secretary to Government of Mysore,
Law Department, Bangalore

Sir,

With reference to your letter No L 10342-59, dated 29th April 1942, forwarding a copy of an interpellation No 160 to be answered at the ensuing Session of the Representative Assembly in June 1942, I have the honour to enclose herein a statement of replies in the matter as desired

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient servant,

S Veerabasappa
for President
7/5/42

Replies to questions moved by Mr G V Kumariah, Devanahalli (Urban) Budget Session - June 1942, Representative Assembly

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Question No 160 -

Will the Government be pleased to State -

	Answers
(a) Whether they are aware that betal leaves are consumed mostly by village agriculturists of the State?	Yes
(b) Whether they are aware that the raiyats are leading hard life by carefully cultivating the betal leaves and nursing them with great care, removing the leaves from the creepers by toiling hard day and night like a machine and taking these leaves to various shandies and villages by piling up the leaves into bundles	Yes
(c) Whether they are aware that on many occasion a tax of 2 pies is being collected on every bundle of betal leaves which may fetch a price of 3 to 4 pies, in addition to the ground rent	No tax of the above kind is being levied in the shandies of Chitaldrug District under the control of the Dist Board A fee of six pies per every bundle of 25 kattus ~~only to begin with it being re-covered~~
(d) Whether they will agree that this dual tax on the betal leaves is a great burden on the poor village folk	The question does not arise
(e) Whether there is a Govt order No 1060-9/A L 79-145, dated 3rd Aug 1916 to the effect that a tax of one pie on every bundle of betal leaves be taken throughout the State	Yes
(f) Whether it is possible to see that no tax is levied on betal leaves in view of the fact that it is perishable article which will rot very soon and also to lessen the burden of taxation on the Agriculturists	The question does not arise
(g) Whether they would be pleased to cancel the ground rent levied on all bundles of betal leaves in all shandies	The question does not arise
(h) If that cannot be done whether they would would be pleased to see that one pie on every bundle of 100 betal leaves is taken as tax	

X (Kavalige of 100 leaves) is being recovered but no fee is being recovered if any purchase falls below 10 Kattus

tax and to force the Municipalities that are taking 2 pies to take one pie only

No instance of the kind in this District Board

K Kaiserkar
President,
District Board,
Chitaldrug
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Tumkur District Board

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Office of the President District Board
Tumkur District
Dated Tumkur, the 8th May *1942.*

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From

N CHANNAPPA, Esq, BA BL,
President, District Board
Tumkur District TUMKUR

To V Narayana Rao, Esq, B A, LL B,
Secretary to Government of Mysore,
Law Department, Bangalore

Sir,

I have the honour to forward herewith the answers to the Interpellation by Mr Y V Kumariah, Devanahalli (Urban) as pertaining to this District Board in regard to the tax on betel leaves as desired in your letter No L 10342-59 dated 29th April 1942 In this connection, I am to state that the question of levy of octroi duty does not arise in the District Board Shandies

I have to state here that the ground rent cannot be cancelled for sale of betel leaves in the District Board shandies, as there is no sufficient or special ground to discriminate between this commodity and other perishable articles and in case it is done, there will be substantial loss in the income from the shandies to the District Board

I have the honor to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient servant,

President,
District Board, Tumkur

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Tumkur District Board

Office of the President District Board
Tumkur District
Dated Tumkur the 8th May *1942*

Answers to the interpellation by Mr Y V Kumariah, Devanahalli (Urban) as pertaining to District Board, Tumkur

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Will the Goverrment be pleased to state -

a) Whether they are aware that betel leaves are consumed mostly by village agriculturists of the State

b) whether they are aware that the raiyats are leading a hard life by carefully cultivating the betel leaves, and nursing them with great care, removing the leaves from the creepers by toiling hard day and night like a machine and taking these leaves to various shandies and villages by piling up the leaves into bundles

c) whether they are aware that on many occasions a tax of 2 pies is being collected on every bundle of betel leaves which may fetch a price of 3 to 4 pies, in addition to the ground rent

d) whether they will agree that this dual tax on the betel leaves is a great burden on the poor village folk

e) Whether there is a Government Order No 1060-9/M1 79-145, dated 3-8-1916 to the effect that a tax of one pie of tax on every bundle of betel leaves be taken throughout the state

f) whether it is possible to see that no tax is levied on betel leaves in view of the fact that it is perishable article which will rot very soon and also to lessen the burden of taxation on the agriculturists

g) whether they would be pleased to cancel the ground rent levied on all bundles of betel leaves in all shandies

h) If that cannot be done whether they would be pleased to see that one pie on every bundle of 100 betel leaves is taken as tax and to force the municipalities, that are taking 2 pies to take one pie only

fee of 0-0-3 pies is being levied on every 25 bundles or fraction thereof in the shandies of the District Board

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President,
District Board, Tumkur

No L B 2-255/41-42
(Encl one)

Office of the President,
Kadur District Board ,
Dated, Chikmagalur, the 7th May 194

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From
S N Ramanna, Esq , B A ,LL B ,
President, Kadur District Board, Chikmagalur

To
The Secretary to Government ,
Law Department , Bangalore

Through The Deputy Commissioner ,
Kadur District, Chikmagalur

DEPUTY COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE * 8 - MAY 1942 * KADUR DISTRICT

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Sir,

Regarding - Levy of tax on betal leaves

I have the honour to furnish herewith draft replies to interpellation No 160 by Mr Y V Kumariah to be answered at the ensuing session of the Representative Assembly in June 1942 as called for in your letter No L 10342-59 dated 29-4-42

In this connection, I wish to state that no hard-ship is caused by levying a small-sum of two annas on a bundle containing six-
/thousand leaves and it works out to 4 pies per thousand leaves ar this is nothing when compared to the rates stated to have been levied in the interpellation

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I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient servant.

S Syed Khaja Peeran
President,
Kadur District Board

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Forwarded with compliments

Deputy Commissioner
Kadur District

REPRESENTATIVE ASSEMBLY

Budget Session June 1942

Y V Kumariah- Devanahalli

Q No 160 - Will the Government be pleased to state

(a) Whether they are aware that betal leaves are consumed monstly by village agriculturists of the State — Yes

(b) Whether they are aware that the raiyats are leading a hard-life by carefully cultivating the betal leaves and nursing them with great care, removing the leaves from the creepers by toiling hard day and night like a machine and taking these - leaves to various shandies and villages by piling up the leaves into bundles — Yes

(c) Whether they are aware that on many occasions a tax of 2pies is being collected on every bundle of betal leaves which may fetch a price of 3 to 4 - pies, in addition to the ground rent — No A sum of 2 annas is levied on every bundle containing Six thousand (6000) leaves brought to District Board Shandies in - this District

(d) Whether they will agree that this ~~deed~~ tax on the betal leaves is a great burden on the poor village folk — No, as only a nominal fee is levied in this District

(e) Whether there is a Government Order No 1060-9/ML 79-145 - dated 3-6-1916 to the effect that a tax of one pie on every bundle of betal leaves be taken throughtout the State — The Board is not aware of any such Government order

(f) Whether it is possible to see that no tax is levied on betal leaves in view of the fact that it is perishable article which will rot very soon and also to lessen the burden of taxation on the agriculturists — This is not possible as it cannot be classed under - necessaries of life and the taxation is very light

(g) Whether they would be pleased to cancel the ground rent levied on all bundles of betal leaves in all shandies — In consideration of the ground rent levied, tax levied is very light

(h) If that cannot be done whether they would be pleased to see that one-pie on every bundle of 100 betal-leaves is taken as tax and to force the municipalities that are taking 2 pies to take one-pie only. — This does not arise as this Board has levied only 4 pies on every 1000 leaves

V. Syed Khaja Peeran
President,
Kadur District Board

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No L B 2-255/41-42
(Encl 1 one)

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Office of the President,
Kadur District Board,
Dated, Chikmagalur, the 7th May 194

From

T M Ramanna, Esq, B A, L L B,
President, Kadur District Board, Chikmagalur

To

The Secretary to Government,
Law Department, Bangalore

~~The Hon'ble The Deputy Commissioner,~~
~~Kadur District, Chikmagalur~~

SECY LAW DEPT
GOVT OF MYSORE

9 MAY 1942

Regarding - Levy of tax on betal leaves

I have the honour to furnish herewith draft replies to interpellation No 160 by Mr Y V Kumariah to be answered at the ensuing session of the Representative assembly in June 1942 as called for in your letter No L 10342-59 dated 29-4-42

In this connection, I wish to state that no hard-ship is caused by levying a small-sum of two annas on a bundle containing six-thousand leaves and it works out to 4 pies per thousand leaves and this is nothing when compared to the rates stated to have been levied in the interpellation

I have the horour to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient servant

I Syed Khaja peeran
President,
Kadur District Board

One Copy sent through the Deputy Commissioner

REPRESENTATIVE ASSEMBLY

Budget Session June 1942

Y V. Kumariah- Devanahalli

Q No 160 - Will the Government be pleased to state

Whether they are aware that betal leaves are consumed monstly by village agriculturists of the State	Yes
Whether they are aware that the raiyats are leading a hard-life by carefully cultivating the betal leaves and nursing them with great care, removing the leaves from the creepers by toiling hard day and night like a machine and taking these - leaves to various shandies and villages by piling up the leaves into burdles	Yes
Whether they are aware that on many occasions a tax of 2pies is being collected on every bundle of betal leaves which may fetch a price of 3 to 4 - pies, in addition to the ground rent	No A sum of 2 annas is levied on every bundle containing a thousand leaves brought to District Board Shandies in - this District
Whether they will agree that this ~~deed~~ tax on the betal leaves is a great burden on the poor village folk	No, as only a nominal fee is levied in this District
Whether there is a Government Order No 1060-9/ L 79-145 - dated 3-6-1916 to the effect that a tax of one pie on every bundle of betal leaves be taken throughtout the State	The Board is not aware of any such Government order
Whether it is possible to see that no tax is levied on betal leaves in view of the fact that it is perishable article which will rot very soon and also to lessen the burden of taxation on the agriculturists	It is not possible as it cannot be classed under - necessaries of life and the taxation is very light
Whether they would be pleased to cancel the ground rent levied on all bundles of betal leaves in all shandies	In consideration of the ground rent levied, tax levied is very light
If that cannot be done whether they would be pleased to see that one-pie on every bundle of 100 betal-leaves is taken as tax and to force the municipalities that are taking 2 pies to take one-pie only	This does not arise as this Board has levied only 4 pies on every 1000 leaves

V. Syed Khaja Peeran

President,

Kadur District Board

GOVERNMENT OF HIS HIGHNESS THE MAHARAJA OF MYSORE

General and Revenue Secretariat

Dated Bangalore 29 April 1942

No L 10342-58

From

The Secretary to the Government of His Highness the Maharaja of Mysore
~~Development~~ Law Department

To

1) The Dy Comrs of Urban
2) The presidents of Urban Boards

Sir,

No 160

The Kannada original of the interpellation

In forwarding herewith copy of an interpellation to be answered at the ensuing session of the Representative Assembly/ ~~Legislative Council~~ in June 1942, I am directed to request you kindly to furnish draft replies to the same before the 7th May 1942, together with a detailed report on the subject so as to facilitate answers to supplemental questions if any that may arise

I have the honour to be
Sir
Your most obedient servant

For Secretary to Government
Law ~~Development~~ Department

MEMBER

Mr V. V. Kumarnal

SUBJECT

Re Levy of tax on betel leaf